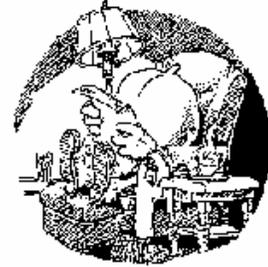




The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

THANK YOU, INVENTORY CREW

A big "thanks" to everybody who helped with the year-end inventory. A special thanks to Nancy Forrest for coordinating things on Friday. If you missed out on all the fun, wait 'till next year! I counted the whole vanilla beans that we sell by the each (we had 27, including backstock). So maybe we are bean counters after all.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Growers board meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8th at 6:30 pm. The co-op coordinators' meeting is set for Monday, January 7th at 6:30 pm. If we are not at the round table upstairs in the Growers Market Building, look for us downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building.

MOUNTAIN PEOPLES REMINDER:

Mountain Peoples (or United Food People...whatever they're called now) will NOT DELIVER UNTIL Tuesday 1/7/2008!! We made a big order to get us through the next few weeks, but if something is out of stock it is probably because we are waiting for delivery on the 7th! This will also affect your special orders. Any special orders put in between 12/20 and 1/3 will arrive on 1/7. Thank you for your patience with this. It's not our decision; we just have to flow with it.

GROWERS MONEY

Growers took out a bank loan in order to pay for a key card (proximity card) system that opens the outside doors to the Growers Market Building. We had some extra cash on hand, so we paid off the loan ahead of schedule (we still have another loan for the wheelchair lift). I think Growers finances will look better when we seek a loan to repair the supports for the restaurant floor and/or for putting in a green roof. The key card system was the idea of our building manager, Edward Winter. Things worked out really well, though the subprime mortgage mess shows that just because you get a loan doesn't mean you can repay it. Of particular interest to upstairs tenants: Edward thinks we might need to raise rents at the end of 2008.

- Milton Takei

TUESDAY STRAWBOSS - CLOSER

We need someone to help close the market on Tuesday. It's a one hour commitment from 6:30-7:30 every week. You would sweep, wipe surfaces, close containers, do some dishes, and put away produce. We Tuesday volunteers are a mellow, fun-loving bunch who enjoy romantic dinners and long walks on the beach. Any questions? Call Taylor - 683-8250 - or drop by on Tuesday to chat.

APARTMENT FOR RENT

2 bedrm apartment with small artists studio, Gallery space on Last Friday ArtWalk, Greenhouse, Gardens. \$625/ mo. plus 1st/last/deposits/utills, NS, No pets. 683-0626. Sterling and Ruth

FRIDGE FOR SALE, \$60 OBO

White, Hotpoint refrigerator, H 61", W 28", D 27". This fridge came with the house I moved into in September and I used it until recently. It works very well - I used it only at the "warmest" setting and it was plenty cold. It is not aesthetically perfect, but absolutely solid at a great price. Call me to check it out. Mari, 683-5253.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Chris Thompson, longtime employee of the Organically Grown Company and a friend of many in the Growers community died unexpectedly on Dec 24th at age 32. There will be a celebration of his life this Friday, January 4th from 4-7pm at Cosmic Pizza/the Strand at 8th and Charnelton

Send submissions to garbanzo@lists.opn.org. You can also put articles in the garbanzo box at growers. Newsletter copy deadline is 5:00 pm Wednesday. Market hours are Tuesdays 5-7pm; Thursdays 2:30 to 7:30 pm and Fridays 3:00 to 6:30 pm. An orientation to Growers is held each Thursday at 1:30. The Growers email list includes an electronic banzo, events notices, and other misc. info. growers@lists.opn.org To subscribe via email, send a message to growers-join@lists.opn.org Growers Market: 687-1145

Pre Order Produce by E-Mail

Send an e-mail to growers.market@gmail.com by Tuesday evening @ 6:30pm to preorder produce for that Thursday